

## NEGRO JOHNSON BROUGHT BACK AND CONCEALED

Alleged Murderer Home  
for Virginia Justice.

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU,  
ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 11.

George Midgets, alias William Johnson, the colored man wanted here for the alleged murder of Charles T. Smith on the night of Saturday, October 20, 1896, is safely locked up in a jail within the State of Virginia, but where that jail is located none of those who are in a position to know will give out. It is reported that the man may be at either Alexandria, Fairfax, Fredericksburg, Manassas, or several other places, but nothing has been given out as to the place where he is incarcerated.

Policemen Ferguson and Roberts, who went to Harrisburg after Johnson, arrived in Washington about 11 o'clock last evening with their man. They were met by Mayor Paff, Chief of Police Goods, and City Sergeant Cox. Johnson was formally turned over to City Sergeant Cox, who immediately deputized Policemen Ferguson and Roberts to take the man to jail, where is not known, for safe keeping. Policemen Ferguson and Roberts reached Alexandria about 1 o'clock this morning.

Johnson was arrested in Harrisburg by the sergeant of police and five policemen. He has a Bibb and reads it continually. He expects to be hanged for his crime.

On the way here on the train Johnson was very communicative to the policemen. He acknowledges being in the fight in which Policeman Nicholas was hit on the head with the butt end of a pistol.

Johnson says that when he made his escape on the Saturday night the murder occurred, he went to the track at St. Asaph and stayed all Saturday night. He claims that he came back to this city Sunday and upon hearing that a man had been shot and killed, he went to the house of a colored man named Bell, where his partner, Robinson, beat him, and going into the house without the knowledge of Bell, took from Robinson's trunk some pistols.

Johnson stated to Policemen Ferguson that he thought he might as well plead guilty, when told that if they hanged him they ought to hang Robinson, too. To Mayor Paff in Washington last evening Johnson said that if he had used as much energy to Robinson as he had him he would have caught the man who murdered Smith.

H. C. Myer Buys House.

John C. Hunter has sold to Henry C. Myer a house and lot on the west side of Pitt street between Duke and Wolfe streets.

Chancery Court Open.

The March term of the corporation court opened its session at the court house here this morning. Judge Barley presiding. This is a chancery term of the court.

Moving Picture Exhibition.

An exhibition of moving pictures will be given at the hall of the Young Men's Sociality Lyceum this evening and tomorrow evening for the benefit of the Reliance Steam Fire Engine Company.

Board of Education's Sessions.

Tomorrow morning the State board of education of Virginia will begin its annual session at Odd Fellows Hall in this city. The board will during its sessions here visit the public schools.

MRS. M. Z. MANNING DIES  
OF ATTACK OF GRIP

Mrs. Mary Z. Manning, wife of former Representative Van H. Manning of Mississippi, died at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the Ontario, where she had been residing with her son-in-law, L. C. Fletcher. Her death was due to the effects of an attack of the grip.

Mrs. Manning lived in this city twenty-three years, having been a resident of Washington ever since her husband left Congress.

The funeral, which will be private, will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Ontario. Interment will be in Glenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Manning is survived by eight children, Van H. Manning, Jr., United States Geological Survey; Mrs. L. C. Fletcher; Mrs. W. M. Hoffman; Mrs. L. M. Kendig; of West Virginia; and L. H. J. R. and Wilkins Manning.

## HOW THE WHOLE FAMILY READS THE NEWS OF THE THAW TRIAL



Grandfather Says That It Ain't Hot Stuff Like the Beecher Trial.



Father Intimates That There Are Other Handsome Middle-Aged Rouses Besides White.



Mother Says She Doesn't See Why the Papers Print Such Dreadful Stuff.



Son Says If He'd Been That Fellow Thaw There'd Been Something Doing Long Before.



Daughter Doesn't See Anything in Evelyn Thaw for Men to Rave Over.



Baby Is Really the Only One That Isn't Worrying.

—Portland Oregonian.

### SPRING OPENING AT KING'S PALACE

Poke Bonnets Conspicuous  
at Attractive Hat  
Display.

A wealth of color has been combined in the new display of millinery in King's Palace, and when the doors of the establishment were thrown open this morning for the annual spring opening there was almost every variety of hat that the feminine mind could conceive.

Last year the store made a record in its history by the beautiful spring display, but even that attractive showing has been eclipsed in the collection of millinery novelties which compose this season's exhibition.

Viewing the assortment of headwear, one is almost at sea in an effort to select even the group of hats that most appeals to feminine fancy. There is a larger collection than usual of imported hats, the French creations being the most fascinating that have been seen in Washington for a long time. The captivating poke bonnet, which is represented in many alluring shapes, is a conspicuous figure in the display and is fashioned with equal taste for the younger girl and her older sister.

One is more than ever convinced of the popularity of the "muslin" hat for it is again a bright feature of the season's plans. It is executed in small and large shapes and in many cases is lighted by a generous accession of bright spring flowers.

The millinery department in this year even more attractive in its setting than last season. A pretty lattice framework divides the department from the other part of the store, and this is prettily entwined in field flowers and vines. The palms and ferns are used in profusion, and one is strongly reminded of the coming of spring in the attractive setting of the whole department.

Throughout the store there is the same fresh picture to greet the eye and from early this morning the store was crowded with hundreds of feminine visitors anxious to get the first glimpse of the new spring display.

### GET A MILE OF PENNIES IS PLAN OF CHILDREN

DARBY, Pa., March 11.—A mile of pennies. Class No. 17, of the Darby Presbyterian Sunday School, has hit upon this unique plan to raise money to help liquidate the church mortgage.

The class has usually resolved to collect a string of pennies 320 feet long, or one mile, and has already started upon its task.

A mile of adhesive tape has been secured and each donor, if he or she wishes, can stick his own copper or silver piece upon the tape. It will take 50 pennies to make a yard, or 88,000 to make the mile.

GEORGE COLLETT FUNERAL  
TOMORROW AFTERNOON

Funeral services for George Collett, who died last Thursday, will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the chapel of the William H. Sardo & Company's undertaking establishment. Mr. Collett was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Collett and had been ill only four days of heart trouble. He was a native of England, but had made his home in Washington for the last nine years.

### BUTTE POSTMEN NOT TO STRIKE

Salary Increase Asked Was  
Provided for by  
Congress.

The twenty-seven "scalcitrant" city mail carriers of Butte, Mont., who early last month served notice upon the Post-office Department that they would resign in thirty days unless an immediate increase in salary was forthcoming, have recalled their resignations, and are peacefully performing their usual duties.

Information to this effect has just been received by the department here, the postmaster at Butte reporting that the men had, upon sober second thought, decided to remain in the Government's employ and that the strike would not materialize. This decision on the part of the postmen is supposed to have been brought about by the provisions of the postal bill passed by Congress just before adjournment.

This bill provides for an increase in salary of the carriers generally. Butte, Mont., included, effective July 1. The individual increase will depend upon the length of service received. It is the salary at present received. It is evidently satisfactory to the Butte carriers, who will overlook the intervening months between March and July.

The strike at one time threatened to assume serious proportions, as the light carriers of Butte, and it is stated that the newspapers and print shops would also become affected, and would probably have to suspend operations.

### "NAGGED" EMILY; SHE LEFT HOME

NEW YORK, March 11.—"Dear folks: I will not be home for some time. But I will come when you stop nagging me." "EMILY."

Mrs. Mary Wuerstlin, of 316 East Seventy-seventh street, last night reported to the police that her daughter Emily, a pretty blonde twenty years old, had been missing since February 23, but that the girl had written her but once, and that the brief note printed.

"I do not know what Emily meant by writing such a note," said Mrs. Wuerstlin. "I have always tried to make her a good girl, and I guess she resented it."

DE BROGLIES AFRAID  
TO APPEAR IN PARIS

PARIS, March 11.—Princess Robert de Broglie, who was Miss Alexander, of San Francisco, will not appear upon the Parisian stage. It was reported that the prince and princess had made an agreement with the proprietor of the Scala Theater, which is a sort of music hall, and that they would appear in Paris about April, after they had fulfilled their London contract.

They now state that they will not appear on the Parisian stage at all, and it is thought that the prince and princess fear a repetition of the scenes which greeted the appearance of the Marquise de Morny when she faced the footlights at Montmartre in company with Mme. Willy.

### BALTIMORE BOAT RUNS AGROUND

Entering Golden Gate Under  
Sail, Swept by Flood  
Tide.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 11.—Her anchor chain fouled, and in the swirl and grasp of a rushing flood tide and a squall the big four-master, Dirigo, 128 days out from Baltimore, laden with 5,000 tons of navy coal, consigned to the Mare Island navy yard, went aground off Alcatraz island last night.

Within twenty feet of Devil's Rock, the dreaded pinnacle on the north shore of Alcatraz, she touched bottom. As soon as the Dirigo grounded, Capt. George W. Goodwin sent up distress signals.

The bark met with the mishap while entering port under sail. The tug Beliance went to the vessel's relief, but was unable to pull her off.

### HARMONY LODGE PLANS MASONIC FAIR MUSIC

Harmony Lodge, No. 1, promises more and better entertainment in the dancing palace at the Masonic fair, which begins April 15, than has ever been provided visitors at previous enterprises of the fraternity. The entertainment committee has already engaged the Sunnyside Quartet, and negotiations are now under way to secure other and better features for the entertainment of fair visitors during the intervals in the dancing program.

"We aim at the highest measure of success in our share of this work," says Chairman L. D. Carman, in a circular to members of the lodge, "and with our large and enthusiastic membership there is no question but that we shall hit the mark."

The executive committee of Harmony Lodge is composed of L. D. Carman, chairman; O. J. DeMott, vice chairman; Leo Baum, secretary; C. E. Gross, treasurer; L. P. Darrell, Theo. F. Ward, J. Jacob, M. D. Rosenberg, J. L. Willige, W. Hamilton Smith, and C. A. Weaver. The heads of the other committees are as follows: Tickets and badges—Leo Baum, chairman; Joseph Abel, vice chairman; Amusement—W. Hamilton Smith, director; Donations—Charles E. Gross, chairman; Music—O. J. DeMott, chairman; W. B. Davis, vice chairman; Ladies—Dr. C. A. Weaver, chairman; Publicity—L. Darrell, chairman; L. W. Heron, vice chairman; W. G. Hughes, secretary; Dancing—J. Jacob, chairman; Dr. George B. Corey, vice chairman; Refreshments—Theo. F. Ward, chairman; C. M. Exley, vice chairman.

### MACFARLAND LECTURES ON CAPITAL TONIGHT

Commissioner MacFarland will deliver a lecture tonight at the Vermont Avenue Christian Church on "The National Capital." This is the fourth of a series of entertainments given by the Men's Club of that church.

### IDAHO MURDER CASE APPROACHES

To Make Legal Moves in  
the Steunenberg  
Trial.

BOISE, Idaho, March 11.—Preliminary motions in the cases of Moyer, Haywood, and Pettibone, charged with conspiracy in the assassination of former Governor Steunenberg, will be made at Caldwell next Tuesday. Attorneys Richardson, of Denver; Mill., of Spokane, and Nugent, of Boise, will ask that the indictments be dismissed, and in the event of an adverse decision they will demand a change of venue. It is probable that both motions will be denied by Judge Bryan.

Thirty Days for Preparation.

With these preliminaries disposed of, prosecution and defense will take thirty days to prepare for trial, which will delay the actual trial of the accused officials of the Western Federation of Miners to April 15. Public opinion, which includes expressions by friends of the prosecution and defense, is that the case against the accused miners has been injured by the result of the Steunenberg trial at Wallace. Adams was tried for the murder of Tyler and the jury disagreed. Private Detective McFarland, of Denver, obtained a confession from Adams supporting the confession of Harry Orchard, who admitted slaying Steunenberg. Orchard said the killing of the ex-governor was instigated by the Federation of Miners, and Adams' confession was supposed to substantiate the conspiracy.

### Adams Denies His Confession.

Adams went on the witness stand last week, repudiated his confession, declared it was untrue, and that he was induced to sign it under promise of reward and immunity from punishment. In the face of this the prosecutors of Moyer, Haywood, and Pettibone are confident a conviction will be secured.

They will not disclose any part of the evidence upon which they expect conviction. Up to this hour no one other than the State prosecution has seen Orchard's confession, and no one will see it until it is produced before the trial court.

Moyer, Haywood, and Pettibone will be taken to Caldwell Tuesday, the prosecution insisting on their presence in court at every move in the case. They will be brought back immediately after the preliminary moves are completed. When that time arrives the prosecution will probably object to try Pettibone first, as they believe the testimony against him is stronger than that against his alleged accomplices.

### COMMITTS SUICIDE BY NEW METHOD

Fifteen-Year-Old Boy Breaks  
Neck Under Desk-  
Top.

CARTERSVILLE, Ill., March 11.—John Smith, fifteen years old, threatened with arrest for selling a calf skin a week ago, and who has been in hiding since, was found dead with a broken neck in the Fordville church, having committed suicide.

He had raised one end of a heavy roll-top desk and putting his neck under the foot rest connecting the two sections of the desk had knocked away the prop, fracturing his neck and strangling him to death.

### TELEPHONE USED AS ROBBER'S LURE

NEW YORK, March 11.—Lured by a telephone call.

Accosted on the street by a heavily veiled girl, to whom he turned to give assistance and knocked down by a brazen ruffian, who robbed him of about \$50.

Rebuffed by a brusque police sergeant.

This tells the story of a few hours' experience in the life of Dr. William B. Cook, a well-known physician, whose office is in Lexington avenue. Dr. Cook is now seriously ill at his home as the result of the beating he received at the hands of highwaymen assisted by the woman. He was robbed of his gold watch, worth \$50, his wallet containing \$15, and a Knight Templar charm, studded with diamonds, worth \$20. The police have no clue to the robbers.

### FRENCH POODLE HAS GLASS EYE

Operation Costs Owner of  
Animal Several Hun-  
dred Dollars.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 11.—Toddles, a French poodle dog belonging to Councillman John Donnelly, is being fitted with a glass eye by a canine expert, who a short time ago removed one of the animal's optics which had been damaged in a fight with another dog.

Toddles' remaining eye is a soft brown in color and the artificial one had to be made specially by a glass eye maker in order to correspond with it.

Since his eye was damaged several weeks ago a veterinarian has been in almost constant attendance on Toddles. When it was decided that one of the dog's eyes would have to be removed if its life was to be saved the veterinarian administered an anesthetic to Toddles, placed him on an operating table and took out the eye. Toddles recovered from the operation and in a short time will be able to wear his glass eye.

### CONGRESSMAN ESCH SEEKS SPOONER'S SEAT

LA CROSSE, Wis., March 11.—Given assurances that Senator La Follette will not publicly induce anyone to succeed Senator John C. Spooner, Congressman John O. Esch has announced his candidacy for the position.

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